

Appeals at the 2006 Spring NABC Dallas TX

FOREWORD

The appeal hearings and commentary descriptions are now being compiled and edited by the American Contract Bridge League. They are published on the ACBL web page. This internet publication is intended to be a tool to help improve the abilities of those serving on appeals committees and tournament directors and to communicate decisions and the process to arrive at those decisions to the membership at large.

In Dallas a total of twenty-five cases were heard. Eighteen cases were from unrestricted (by masterpoints) North American Bridge Championship Events and were heard by a committee of peers. The names of the players involved are included.

Seven cases were from all other events and were heard by a panel (committee) of tournament directors. The names of the players involved are included when the event from which the appeal derived had no upper masterpoint limit or was a top bracket of a bracketed knockout event. When the names of the players are not used, the player's masterpoint total is included.

The cases are first presented without commentary. After the official panel of commentators has had an opportunity to provide their commentary (about 4 weeks). The commentary is added and the internet publication is complete and final.

Everyone involved in this process is due praise for their efforts. Special thanks to the NABC Appeals Committee and the Tournament Directors serving on the director committees, scribes and commentators. Without their considerable contribution of time and effort, this publication would not exist.